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Ms. Kristine Adams
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
Washington, D.C. 20436

Identification Number: C00204099

Reference: March Monthly Report (2/1/03-2/28/03), April Monthly Report (3/1/03-3/31/03), May Monthly Report (4/1/03-4/30/03), June Monthly Report (5/1/03-5/31/03), July Monthly Report (6/1/03-6/30/03), August Monthly Report (7/1/03-7/31/03), September Monthly Report (8/1/03-8/31/03), October Monthly Report (9/1/03-9/30/03)

Dear Ms. Adams:

This letter responds to your correspondence dated 3 December 2003 requesting that Schedule A, supporting Line 11(a)(i) of the above-referenced John Deere Political Action Committee reports (Reports) be amended to: (1) include the name of the employer for each person contributing in excess of \$200 in the aggregate during the calendar year; and, (2) disclose the frequency and amount deducted each pay period through the payroll deduction plan.

In response to the first item outlined in your letter, we would note that the location of each employee within the company exceeding the \$200 reporting threshold during the calendar year has been provided in Schedule A, supporting Line 11(a)(i). This section of the Reports will, however, be amended on or before 2 January 2004 to provide a revised employer name for each individual employee contributing in excess of the reporting threshold during the calendar year.

During our recent telephone conversation you indicated that the second item outlined in your letter was given for informational purposes. You further indicated that our compliance with this item was optional, provided the Reports met the requirements of 11 C.F.R. 104.8(b) by itemizing contributions received from each contributor over the reporting threshold during the reporting period, along with the date of receipt and amount of such contributions. The Reports provide such separate itemizations in compliance with the requirements of 11 C.F.R. 104.8(b), which permits, but does not require, reporting for each individual over the threshold the aggregate amount of contributions during the period along with the amount deducted per pay period in lieu of separately itemizing each additional contribution.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and hope that the amended Reports, along with the information furnished in this letter, fully responds to the issues identified in your correspondence. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss these matters further; my direct telephone number is 309.748.5260.

Best regards,

Candace Schnoor
Treasurer
John Deere Political Action Committee